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In re Application of

) Group Art Unit: 2631 Technology Center 2600

A. STORM, et al.

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Serial No. 09/754,007

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Filed: January 2, 2001

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For: APPROACH FOR PROCESSING DATA RECEIVED FROM A
COMMUNICATIONS CHANNEL IN FINITE PRECISION ARITHMETIC
APPLICATIONS

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the application referenced above, please amend the application referenced above by replacing a paragraph in the specification as indicated below and by canceling Claim 1 and adding new Claims 2-41. Pursuant to updated rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the new claims are provided in "clean form" below and a complete set of claims in "marked up" showing the new claims and replacement section is provided on separate pages after this amendment and response.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 9 beginning at line 15 with:

FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a receiver 200 for processing received data $y(t)$ 202 from communications channel 106 according to an embodiment of the invention. As with the conventional arrangement 100 of FIG. 1, received data $y(t)$ 202, obtained from

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status per 37 CFR 1.27(c)(1).
 No additional fee is required.
 Also attached: Request for Permission to Amend Drawings
 Return Receipt Postcard

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	40	1	20	\$9.00 =	\$180.00
Independent Claims	6	1	3	\$40.00 =	\$120.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$300.00

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this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1302, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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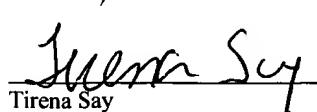
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